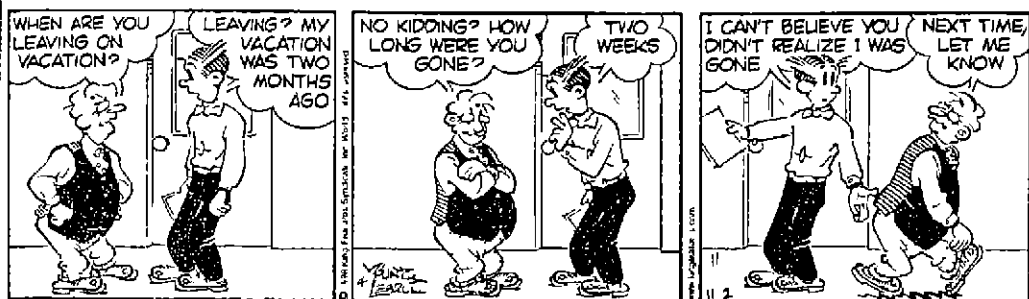


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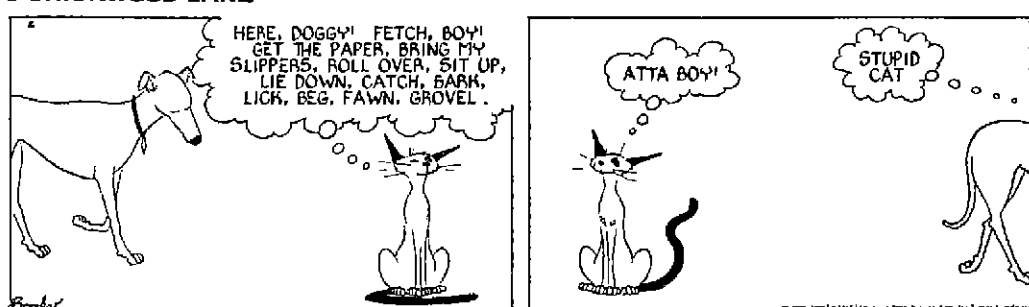
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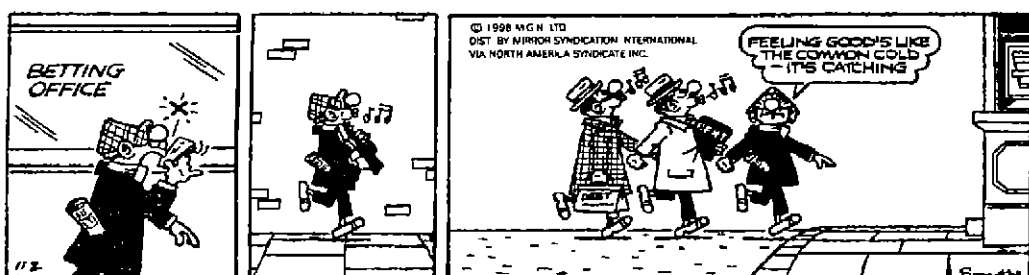
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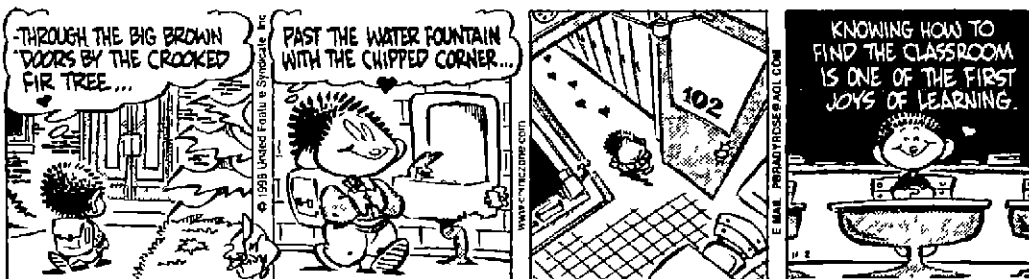
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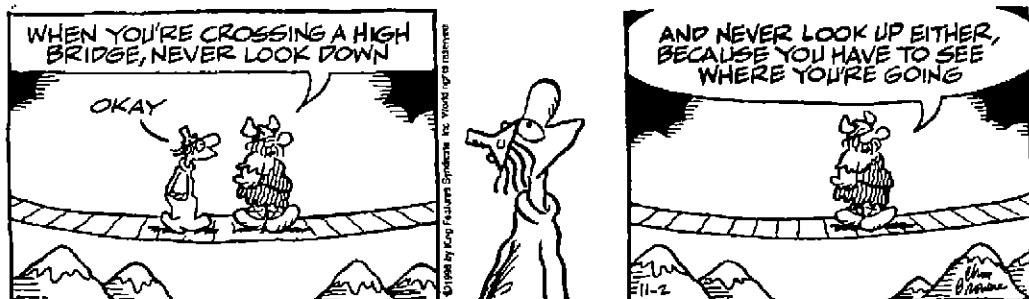
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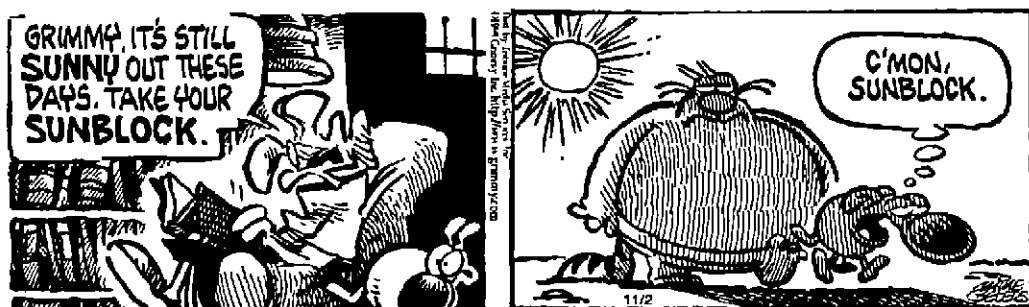
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## MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



## DILBERT



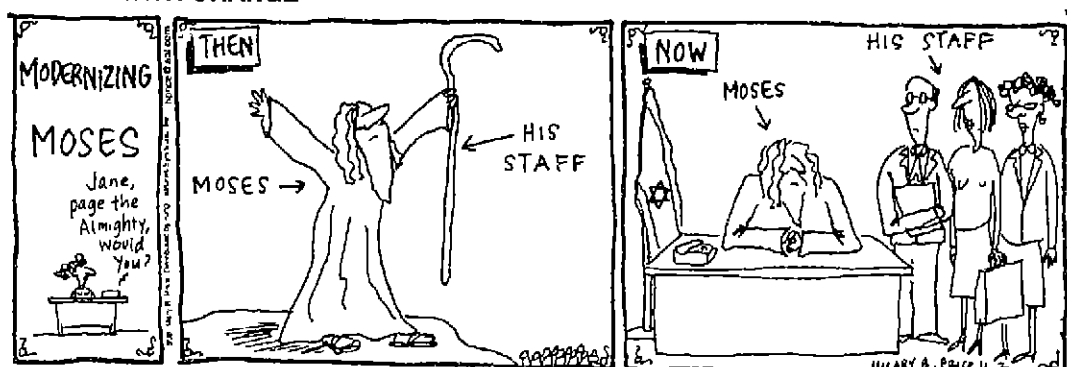
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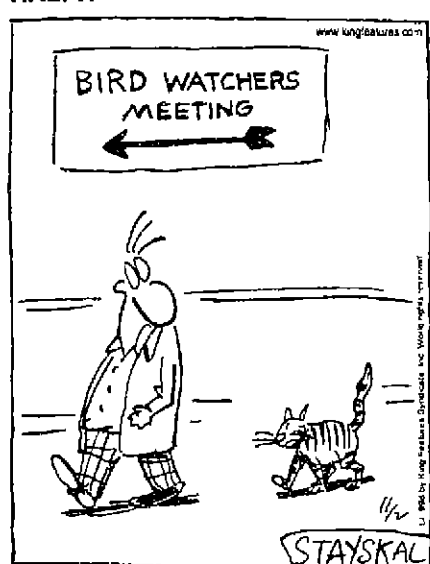
## FAMILY CIRCUS



## RHYMES WITH ORANGE



## RALPH



## Today's Birthdays

Country singer Charlie Walker is 72. Rhythm-and-blues singer Earl "Speedo" Carroll (The Cadillac, The Coasters) is 61. Political commentator Patrick J. Buchanan is 60. Actress Stefanie Powers is 56. Author Shere Hite is 56. Rock musician Keith Emerson (Emerson Lake and Palmer) is 54. Rock musician Bobby Dall (Poison) is 35.

## I NEED HELP



## SCRABBLE

PAR SCORE 100-110 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7 letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merriam-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). Judd's SOLUTION TOMORROW 11-2-98 © 1998 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Monday's unlisted clue hint: SMALL RIVER

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| G | N | E | E | I | B | N |
| D | Q | A | E | U | K | C |
| F | A | H | T | S | S | A |
| A | A | A | E | L | T | D |

TRIPLE Word Score: D, Q, A, E, U, K, C

DOUBLE Word Score: F, A, H, T, S, S, A

For solution, see Classified.

## WORD SLEUTH

## Main-

FXMTQNJGCZWTQNJ  
GDAAXUF RDOLJGDA  
XVSPENENKIFCAXV  
SQOLJRACHECAXVT  
RPNLJLTNIOPHFDB  
YXTVTTUSGFRPOMK  
IGERSERDNHFBFYZ  
XWUTARENILSOLDQ  
ONLJMPIRHGRIAOF  
DCAYXWVTTCAODBS  
RPONLKJIESRUOCG

Saturday's unlisted clue: BUG  
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Monday's unlisted clue hint: SMALL RIVER

|         |       |        |        |
|---------|-------|--------|--------|
| Body    | Force | Office | Sail   |
| Course  | Land  | Part   | Street |
| Dish    | Line  | Point  | Thing  |
| Feature | Mast  | Road   |        |

For solution, see Classified.

## HOROSCOPE

For Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1998

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A strong sense of prosperity and security enables you to provide support to the less fortunate.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Others will support and encourage you. No self-effacement is necessary.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Any movement takes an effort. Perhaps it's better to remain still for the time being.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Friends and neighbors might drop by, and you are more than glad to entertain.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) Subdue any impulses to start a fight or a frenzy.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) If you've been planning a trip, now is a good time to solidify your itinerary.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) When consuming fattening foods or specialty drinks, know where to set your limits.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You are capable of forging a major alliance or starting a small war, so use your power wisely.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You might feel slightly uncomfortable in your own skin, and perhaps a bit guilty about past actions.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Each new sight and sound is a delight. You are eager to share your enthusiasm.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) You have the opportunity to work things out and proceed in a different direction.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to March 20) Go see an art film or buy a new album. The experience will be even better if it is shared with a friend or two.

## ACES ON BRIDGE

## By Bobby Wolff

"You must have flashed your cards," scolded a critical East. "Why else would he have risked a deep club finesse?" West was not the only player who took issue with East's remark. For good reasons, South also had something to say to East. South took the first heart and cashed his club king. His next play startled East. What did South do? Instead of taking a routine finesse to dummy's club jack, South led a club to dummy's nine. When it held, he returned to his hand in spades, and another club finesse gave him all five club winners and an easy overtrick. Had South finessed to dummy's club jack at trick three, East's discard would have proved embarrassing. West's club stack would have held South to only three club winners and only eight tricks. What did South say that wasn't pleasing to East's ears? "There was no need to peek at West's cards," South reproved. "With five winners outside the club suit, any reasonable player would have chosen the safest way to play the clubs for four more winners." Mercifully, South did not elucidate further regarding the qualifications of a player who would be critical of his partner when an opponent makes an obvious safety play.

**NORTH** 11-42 A  
♠ J 5 3  
♥ 9 7 4  
♦ A J 9 7 2  
♣ 4

**WEST**  
♠ 3  
♥ Q J 10 8 2  
♦ K 10 3  
♣ Q 10 8 3

**EAST**  
♠ Q 10 9 8 5 4  
♥ 7 6  
♦ Q 6 3 2  
♣ 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K 6 2  
♥ A K 4  
♦ A J 8  
♣ K 6 5

Vulnerable: East West  
Dealer: South

The bidding:  
South West North East  
2NT Pass 3NT All pass

Opening lead: Heart queen

## N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0921

## ACROSS

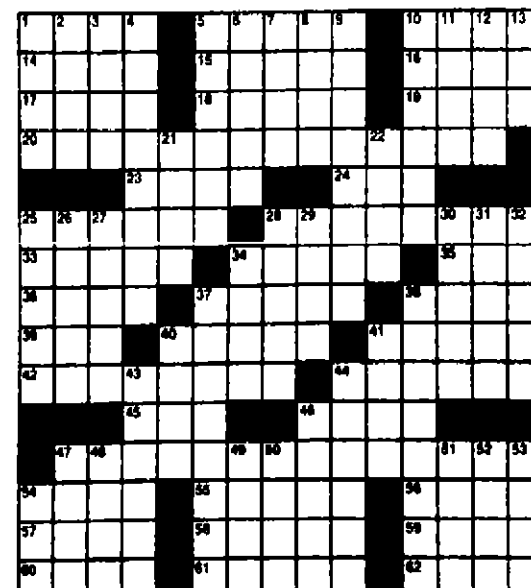
- Actor Baldwin
- Will o' the-wisp locale
- Peninsula south of California
- Watch face
- Bone below the jaw
- Satanic
- Prefix with -nautics
- Top talent
- Strauss & Co.
- Test type
- Sacred
- WSW's opposite
- Cowlike
- Disaster often not covered by insurance
- Sports event site
- "bombs bursting" -
- Doctors org.
- Anthem
- Possible answers for 20 Across
- Proverbial inheritors
- nutshell
- Fine china
- Andrew Wyeth's "Pictures"
- Come crashing down
- Astronomical object with a large red shift
- It's south of Eur.
- Heaven's Gate, e.g.
- D, often
- Prod
- Flu cause
- Too
- Good luck symbol for King Tut
- "You kidding!"
- Animal with a mane
- Medicore
- Soup onions
- Cuts with garden shears

## DOWN

- Actor Baldwin
- Stead
- Viscount's superior
- Duds
- Paper clip alternative
- "Free" whale of film
- Irish Rose's guy
- Odds and ends
- Abbr.
- Terribly weak, as an excuse
- Dogma
- With Fr.
- Jazz talk
- Baba
- Island of the Inner Hebrides
- about (approximately)
- Acronymic computer language name
- Name college town

## ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

STRAFE PIVOTAL  
QUIXOTE INCLINE  
UNGLOVES STRINGS  
EIGEN TOTE ONUS  
ASIS ASTOR ILE  
KIM SITTING LEAN  
SAQUAROS PURRS  
STEP ARAM  
GAMES BLOWPOPS  
ZEN PIETAS NOW  
ZOOM ELLEM LALA  
ALARS ALAR TYLER  
ALLEARS EVIDENT  
RATABLE GOLIATH  
DEADEYE ONEADAY



Puzzle by Matthew Lewis

- Open to nibbery
- One place to hook up the jumper cables
- Gave a hoot
- Scottish Highlanders
- Symbol of resistance
- Capital of Senegal
- Nigerian natives
- "Thumbs up" signification
- Spaghetti topper
- Sound's partner
- Dance done in grass skirts
- Crow's nest cry
- Grand searches
- Solid portion
- Naughty deed
- Acorn sources
- Order after "aim"
- Logic diagram
- Hodgepodge
- Initials on a brandy bottle
- Incalculable amount of time
- Tank filler

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